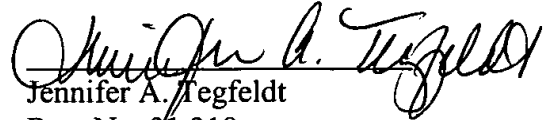


In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration of this application. The Examiner is also invited to contact the undersigned attorney if a telephone interview would assist in resolving any matters relating to this application.

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